

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/814,468

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Application filed on March 31, 2004.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-8.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
7. ☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____.

DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. William E. Myers on February 15, 2006.

Please replace the abstract filed on March 31, 2004, with the following:

-- -- A lamp capsule may be formed with substantially parallelepipedal ends including alignments. A metal strap may surround one end, between the alignments, with first and second oppositely disposed affixation areas of extensions. A glass stem has tubular first portion with outside diameter D. A C-shaped clip is mounted upon the tubular first portion. The clip has height H and inside diameter D1 smaller than the outside diameter D. The clip frictionally engages the tubular first portion. A first frame member has a proximal terminus affixed to the clip and a second frame member has a proximal terminus affixed to the clip opposite the first frame member. The first frame member has a distal terminus affixed to the one affixation area and second frame member has a distal terminus affixed to the other affixation area. The first and second frame members and the metal strap provide the support for the capsule.-- --

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-8 are allowed.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding to independent claim 1, prior art of record taken alone or in combination fails to teach or suggest a mount assembly for a lamp comprising: a first frame member having a proximal terminus affixed to the substantially C-shaped clip and a second frame member having a proximal terminus affixed to the substantially C-shaped clip opposite the first frame member, the first frame member having a distal terminus affixed to one of the affixation areas on the metal strap and the second frame member having a distal terminus affixed to the other of the affixation areas, the first and second frame members and the metal strap constituting the sole support for the light source.

Regarding to claims 2-7, claim 2-7 are allowable because of the dependency upon an allowable independent claim.

Regarding to independent claim 8, prior art of record taken alone or in combination fails to teach or suggest a mount assembly for a lamp comprising: a first frame member having a proximal terminus affixed to the substantially C-shaped clip and a second frame member having a proximal terminus affixed to the substantially C-shaped clip opposite the first frame member, the first frame member having a distal terminus affixed to one of the affixation areas on the metal strap and the second frame member

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having a distal terminus affixed to the other of the affixation areas, the first and second frame members and the metal strap constituting the sole support for the light source.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

4. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

The following prior art are cited to further show the state of the art of composition of a mount assembly for a lamp.

U.S. Patent No. 5,521,458 to Kulik Jr.

U.S. Patent No. 6,188,164 to Brown.

U.S. Patent No. 6,575,415 to Williamson.

U.S. Patent No. 6,771,008 to Williamson.

U.S. Patent No. 6,963,158 to McCullough.

U.S. Patent Application No. 2005/0046325 to McCullough.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dalei Dong whose telephone number is (571)272-2370. The examiner can normally be reached on 8 A.M. to 5 P.M..

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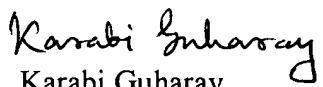
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimeshkumar Patel can be reached on (571)272-2457. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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February 14, 2006


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